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To: Members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: UNITED NATIONS STAFF RELIEF COMMITTEE FOR FLOOD VICTIMS IN CHINA

1. As reported in the media and by the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Coordinator, one of the worst floods in the region in this century devastated at least 18 provinces in China. Over 1,800 people were killed, and some 200 million people have been affected. Damage to crops and industry was enormous; initial economic losses have been estimated at over $6 billion.

2. With the approval of the Secretary-General, United Nations staff, in the tradition of their humane concern to help, have formed the United Nations Staff Relief Committee for Flood Victims in China for the purpose of conducting a fund-raising appeal. The Committee is composed of over 30 staff members with Mr. James P. Grant, Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, and Mr. Chaozhu Ji, Under-Secretary-General, Department of Technical Cooperation for Development, as Honorary Co-Chairpersons, with Mr. Wai-tsu Fan as Co-Chairperson, Mr. Yun-chour Fu as Secretary and Ms. Siak Fui Liow as Treasurer.

3. On Wednesday, 31 July 1991, contributions will be collected at Headquarters by authorized staff members acting on behalf of the Committee.

4. If anyone would like to make a contribution earlier or later than 31 July 1991, a cheque payable to "UNSFC" should be forwarded to the Treasurer, Ms. Siak Fui Liow (room S-2375, extension 3.6099) or to the Secretary, Mr. Yun-chour Fu (room S-2360, extension 3.6072).

5. All contributions will be handed over to the United Nations Development Programme to be transmitted to the UNDP Office in Beijing to provide direct assistance to the victims.

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